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SUBJECT: MULTINATIONALS

1. LEIF SJOSTROM, SWEDISH INDUSTRY MINISTRY, TOLD EMBOFF, IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY BASED ON REFTEL, THAT HE HAD BEEN MISQUOTED BY DANISH REPORTER WHO TALKED TO HIM ON TELEPHONE A FEW DAYS AGO. DESPITE ITS INACCURACIES, HE SAID, THERE WAS DEGREE OF TRUTH IN REPORTER'S STORY.

2. SJOSTROM SAID HE HAD NOT MADE ANY COMMENT TO REPORTER TOUCHING UPON UNANIMITY OF VIEWS OF NORDICS WITH REGARD TO DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION BY MULTINATIONAL ENTERPRISES (MNE) OR MNE CONSULTATIONS WITH GOVERNMENTS FOR PURPOSE OF OVERSEEING IMPLEMENTATION OF MNE GUIDELINES. AS A MATTER OF FACT, HOWEVER, HE UNDERSTOOD THAT NORWAY, FINLAND, AND SWEDEN WERE BASICALLY ONE IN THEIR VIEWS.

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HE DID NOT KNOW POSITION OF DENMARK. THE THREE COUNTRIES

HAD DISCUSSED SUBJECT BEFORE SWEDEN PREPARED NOTE RECENTLY
PRESENTED TO STATE DEPARTMENT BY SWEDISH AMBASSADOR
WACHTMEISTER. PROBLEMS OF TIMING AND PRECISE WORDING
OF DEMARCHE PREVENTED JOINT NOTE.

3. SJOSTROM DENIED THERE WERE ANY PLANS FOR SENDING NORDIC
DELEGATION TO WASHINGTON AND SAID STATEMENT ON THIS POINT
IN PAPER WAS GARBLE BY REPORTER OF REFERENCE TO REPRESENTA-
TIONS ALREADY MADE BY WACHTMEISTER.

4. SJOSTROM HAD MENTIONED TO REPORTER THAT THERE WERE
SPLIT OPINIONS IN OECD INDUSTRY COMMITTEE WITH REGARD
MNE ISSUES.
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